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1. AS BOTH YOU AND YOUR BROTHER REQUESTED. THE CONSULATE GENERAL HAS CONTACTED YOUR FATHER, MR. JAMIL R. JADALLAH, TO DISCUSS HIS CURRENT STATUS IN THE WEST BANK.

2. YOUR FATHER INFORMED US THAT HE TOOK UP RESIDENCE LAST YEAR IN EL BIREH, RAMALLAH, WEST BANK, AS A TOURIST. HE RECEIVED PERMISSION FROM ISRAELI AUTHORITIES TO REMAIN IN THAT STATUS FOR ONE YEAR. THE ISRAELI AUTHORITIES HAVE NOW REFUSED, AS A MATTER OF DISCRETION, TO EXTEND YOUR FATHERS PERMISSION TO REMAIN IN THE AREA AS A TOURIST, AND HAVE REQUESTED THAT HE LEAVE THE WEST BANK. A FACTOR WHICH MAY HAVE INFLUENCED THIS DECISION WAS THE FACT THAT YOUR
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FATHER IS IN THE PROCESS OF BUILDING A HOUSE, WHICH THE ISRAELIS APPARENTLY FEEL IS NOT CONSISTENT WITH HIS STATUS AS A TOURIST.

3. ACCORDING TO YOUR FATHER, YOUR MOTHER'S SITUATION IS DIFFERENT, AS SHE HAS THE STATUS OF RESIDENT OF THE WEST BANK. THIS IS BECAUSE SHE WAS PHYSICALLY PRESENT IN EL BIREH IN 1967, WHEN THE ISRAELIS TOOK CONTROL OF THE AREA. AS YOUR FATHER WAS NOT PRESENT IN EL

BIREH IN 1967, HAVING IMMIGRATED TO THE U.S. IN 1954, HE WAS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR WEST BANK RESIDENT STATUS.

4. YOUR FATHER RECENTLY CONSULTED ATTORNEY ANTON JASER FOR LEGAL GUIDANCE AND ASSISTANCE. JASER ADVISED YOUR FATHER THAT THE ISRAELI AUTHORITIES WERE OPERATING WITHIN THEIR RIGHTS UNDER THE APPLICABLE LAWS AND THAT THERE WAS NO APPEAL PROCESS AVAILABLE. JASER'S ADDRESS IN JERUSALEM IS ALAHEDDIN STREET 10, P.O. BOX 19926, TELEPHONE 02-283529.

5. YOUR FATHER NOW PLANS TO CONSULT ATTORNEY LEA TSEMEL TO OBTAIN A SECOND OPINION REGARDING HIS STATUS. HER TELEPHONE NUMBER IN JERUSALEM IS 02-227837.

6. YOUR FATHER HAS PROMISED TO KEEP THE CONSULATE GENERAL INFORMED OF ANY SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENTS. IF HE SO REQUESTS, WE WILL PASS WORD OF SUCH DEVELOPMENTS ON TO YOU.
AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL
JERUSALEM

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